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Plenary meetings

1. Opening of the session by the Chairman of the delegation of Namibia (item 1).
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation (item 2).
3. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly (item 3):
   (a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee;
   (b) Report of the Credentials Committee.
4. Election of the President of the General Assembly (item 4).
5. Election of the officers of the Main Committees (item 5).
6. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly (item 6).
7. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations (item 7).
8. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work: reports of the General Committee (item 8).
9. General debate (item 9).
10. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (item 10).
11. Report of the Security Council (item 11).
12. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chaps. I-VI, VII (sects. A-C), VIII and IX] (item 12).[1]
13. Report of the International Court of Justice (item 13).
14. Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (item 14).[2]
15. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs (item 15):
   (a) Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council;
   (b) Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council.
16. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections (item 16):
   (a) Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination;
   (b) Election of seventeen members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;
   (c) Election of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

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[1] The chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council listed below have been referred also to Main Committees as follows:
   (a) Chaps. I, VII (sects. B and C) and IX: Second, Third and Fifth Committees;
   (b) Chap. II: Second Committee;
   (c) Chaps. III-V and VII (sect. A): Second and Third Committees.

[2] The General Assembly decided that the relevant paragraphs of the annual report of the International Atomic Energy Agency (A/55/284) would be drawn to the attention of the First Committee in connection with its consideration of item 72.

17. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (item 17):[3]

(h) Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences;

(i) Appointment of the members of the Consultative Committee on the United Nations Development Fund for Women;

(j) Approval of the appointment of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

18. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 18).[4]

19. Admission of new Members to the United Nations (item 19).

20. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20):

(a) Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations;

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions;

(c) Assistance to the Palestinian people;

(d) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan.

21. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States (item 21).

22. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee (item 22).

23. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community (item 23).

24. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference (item 24).

25. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States (item 25).

26. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (item 26).

27. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity (item 27).

28. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization (item 28).

[3] For sub-items (a)-(g), see Fifth Committee, item 45.

[4] The General Assembly decided to refer to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) chapters of the report of the Special Committee (A/55/23) relating to specific Territories so that the Assembly might deal in plenary meeting with the question of the implementation of the Declaration as a whole.

29. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (item 29).

30. Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s, including measures and recommendations agreed upon at its mid-term review (item 30).

31. Elimination of coercive economic measures as a means of political and economic compulsion (item 31).

32. United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations (item 32).

33. Culture of peace (item 33).

34. Oceans and the law of the sea (item 34):

    (a) Consideration of elements relating to oceans and seas, including improvement of coordination and cooperation;

    (b) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments.

35. Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba (item 35).

36. Bethlehem 2000 (item 36).

37. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the special session of the General Assembly in this regard (item 37).

38. Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic (item 38).

39. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies (item 39).

40. The situation in the Middle East (item 40).

41. Question of Palestine (item 41).

42. Special session of the General Assembly in 2001 for follow-up to the World Summit for Children (item 42).

43. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (item 43).

44. Global implications of the year 2000 date conversion problem of computers (item 44).

45. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (item 45).

46. The situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (item 46).

47. Assistance in mine action (item 47).

48. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti (item 48).

49. The situation in East Timor during its transition to independence (item 49).

50. Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (item 50).

51. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (item 51).[5]

52. Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (item 52).

53. Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (item 53).

54. Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 (item 54).

55. Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security (item 55).

56. Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait (item 56).

57. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations (item 57).

58. Launching of global negotiations on international economic cooperation for development (item 58).

59. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters (item 59).

60. United Nations reform: measures and proposals (item 60):

(a) United Nations reform: measures and proposals;

(b) The Millennium Assembly of the United Nations.

61. Strengthening of the United Nations system (item 61).

62. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly (item 62).

63. Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields (item 63).

64. Election of judges of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (item 166).

[5] The General Assembly decided to consider item 51 directly in plenary meeting on the understanding that bodies and individuals having an interest in the question would be heard in the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) in conjunction with the consideration of the item in plenary meeting.

65. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe (item 170).

66. Towards global partnerships (item 173).

67. The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order (item 174).

68. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict (item 175).

69. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (item 177).

70. Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo (item 178).

71. Review of the problem of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome in all its aspects (item 179).

First Committee

1. Reduction of military budgets (item 65).
2. Development of good-neighbourly relations among Balkan States (item 66).
3. Maintenance of international security (item 67):
   (a) Prevention of the violent disintegration of States;
   (b) Stability and development of South-Eastern Europe.
4. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security (item 68).
5. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament (item 69).
6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East (item 70).
7. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons (item 71).
8. Prevention of an arms race in outer space (item 72).
9. General and complete disarmament (item 73):
   (a) Notification of nuclear tests;
   (b) Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia;
   (c) Mongolia's international security and nuclear-weapon-free status;
   (d) Measures to uphold the authority of the 1925 Geneva Protocol;
   (e) Preservation of and compliance with the Treaty on the Limitation of Anti-Ballistic Missile Systems;
   (f) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction;
   (g) Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction;
   (h) Missiles;
   (i) Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: the need for a new agenda;
   (j) Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures;
   (k) Transparency in armaments;
   (l) Assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and collecting them;
   (m) Reducing nuclear danger;
   (n) Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas;
   (o) Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels;

(p) Regional disarmament;

(q) Nuclear disarmament;

(r) Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*;

(s) Illicit traffic in small arms;

(t) Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control;

(u) Relationship between disarmament and development;

(v) Convening of the fourth special session of the General Assembly devoted to disarmament;

(w) Small arms.

10. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly (item 74):

(a) Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa;

(b) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa;

(c) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific;

(d) Convention on the Prohibition of the Use of Nuclear Weapons;

(e) United Nations regional centres for peace and disarmament;

(f) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean;

(g) United Nations Disarmament Information Programme;

(h) United Nations disarmament fellowship, training and advisory services.

11. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session (item 75):

(a) Report of the Disarmament Commission;

(b) Report of the Conference on Disarmament;

(c) Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters;

(d) United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research;

(e) Disarmament Week.

12. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East (item 76).

13. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects (item 77).

14. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region (item 78).

15. Consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) (item 79)

16. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction (item 80)

17. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (item 81)

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

1. Effects of atomic radiation (item 82).
2. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space (item 83).
3. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (item 84).
4. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories (item 85).
5. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects (item 86).
6. Questions relating to information (item 87).
7. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations (item 88).
8. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories (item 89).
9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (item 90).
10. Report of the Economic and Social Council (chap. VII, sect. D) (item 12).
11. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories (item 91).
12. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (item 18).[4]
13. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) (item 51).[5]

Second Committee

1. Macroeconomic policy questions (item 92):
   (a) Trade and development;
   (b) Commodities;
   (c) External debt crisis and development;
   (d) Science and technology for development;
   (e) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries.
2. Sectoral policy questions (item 93):
   (a) Industrial development cooperation;
   (b) Business and development.
3. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation (item 94):
   (a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade;
   (b) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy;
   (c) Cultural development;
   (d) High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership;
   (e) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II).
4. Environment and sustainable development (item 95):
   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21;
   (b) Convention on Biological Diversity;
   (c) Water supply and sanitation;
   (d) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;
   (e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa;
   (f) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005;
   (g) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind.

5. Operational activities for development (item 96) [6]

6. Training and research (item 97).

7. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources (item 98).

8. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) (item 99).

9. Globalization and interdependence (item 100).

10. High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development (item 101).

11. Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (item 102).

12. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chaps. I-V, VII (sects. A-C and E-H) and IX] (item 12).[7]

[6] The General Assembly decided that the report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme on the operations, management and budget of the United Nations Development Fund for Women would be referred to the Second Committee for consideration under item 96.

[7] The chapters of the report listed below have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Third and Fifth Committees, as follows:

(a) Chaps. I, VII (sects. B and C) and IX: plenary meetings and Third and Fifth Committees;

(b) Chap. II: plenary meetings;

(c) Chaps. III-V and VII (sect. A): plenary meetings and Third Committee.

Third Committee

1. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (item 103).

2. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons (item 104).

3. Crime prevention and criminal justice (item 105).

4. International drug control (item 106).

5. Advancement of women (item 107).

6. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" (item 108).

7. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (item 109).

8. Promotion and protection of the rights of children (item 110).

9. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (item 111).

10. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (item 112).

11. Right of peoples to self-determination (item 113).

12. Human rights questions (item 114):

    (a) Implementation of human rights instruments;

    (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

    (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives;

    (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action;

    (e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

13. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chaps. I, III-V, VII (sects. A-C and I) and IX] (item 12).[a]

[a] The chapters of the report listed below have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Second and Fifth Committees, as follows:

(a) Chaps. I, VII (sect. B and C) and IX: plenary meetings and Second and Fifth Committees;

(b) Chaps. III-V and VII (sect. A): plenary meetings and Second Committee.

Fifth Committee

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (item 115):
   (a) United Nations;
   (b) United Nations Development Programme;
   (c) United Nations Children's Fund;
   (d) United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East;
   (e) United Nations Institute for Training and Research;
   (f) Voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;
   (g) Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme;
   (h) United Nations Population Fund;
   (i) United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation;
   (j) Fund of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme;
   (k) United Nations Office for Project Services.
2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (item 116).
3. Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (item 117).
4. Programme planning (item 118).
5. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations (item 119).
6. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency (item 120).
7. Pattern of conferences (item 121).
8. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (item 122).
9. Human resources management (item 123).
10. United Nations common system (item 124).
11. United Nations pension system (item 125).
12. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (item 126).
13. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (item 127).
14. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in

the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (item 128).

15. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola (item 129).

16. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991) (item 130):

(a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission;

(b) Other activities.

17. Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor (item 131).

18. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (item 132).

19. Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (item 133).

20. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (item 134).

21. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (item 135).

22. Financing of the United Nations Mission of Observers in Tajikistan (item 136).

23. Financing of the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (item 137).

24. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East (item 138):

(a) United Nations Disengagement Observer Force;

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

25. Financing and liquidation of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (item 139).

26. Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters (item 140).

27. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Somalia II (item 141).

28. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Mozambique (item 142).

29. Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (item 143).

30. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (item 144).

31. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (item 145).

32. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia (item 146).

33. Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda (item 147).

34. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina (item 148).

35. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja and Western Sirmium and the Civilian Police Support Group (item 149).

36. Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Transition Mission in Haiti and the United Nations Civilian Police Mission in Haiti (item 150).

37. Financing of the Military Observer Group of the United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (item 151).

38. Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic (item 152).

39. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (item 153):

(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations;

(b) Relocation of South Africa to the group of Member States set out in paragraph 3 (c) of General Assembly resolution 43/232.

40. Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (item 167).

41. Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (item 168).

42. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operations (item 169).

43. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (item 176).

44. Report of the Economic and Social Council [chaps. I, VII (sects. B and C) and IX] (item 12).[9]

45. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments (item 17):[10]

(a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions;

(c) Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors;

(d) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee;

(e) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal;

(f) Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee;

(g) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission.

[9] These chapters have been referred also to plenary meetings and to the Second and Third Committees.

[10] For sub-items (h)-(j), see plenary meetings, item 17.

Sixth Committee

1. Progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new international economic order (item 154).
2. Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts (item 155).
3. Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (item 156).
4. Convention on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property (item 157).
5. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-third session (item 158).
6. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session (item 159).
7. Nationality of natural persons in relation to the succession of States (item 160).
8. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (item 161).
9. Establishment of the International Criminal Court (item 162).
10. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (item 163).
11. Measures to eliminate international terrorism (item 164).
12. Review of the Statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal (item 165).
13. Observer status for the Inter-American Development Bank in the General Assembly (item 171).
14. Observer status for the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance in the General Assembly (item 172).